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SUBJECT: U.S./ISRAEL JOINT SUBCOMMITTEES

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1. WE HAVE RECEIVED MIXED REACTION FROM ISRAELI OFFICIALS ON RESULTS OF FIRST MEETING OF SUBCOMMITTEES ON INVESTMENT, TRADE AND RAW MATERIALS. ON THEIR RETURN FROM WASHINGTON OFFICIALS STATED PUBLICLY THAT SUBCOMMITTEES WERE " OFF TO A GOOD START". IN PRIVATE, HOWEVER, OFFICIALS HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN OVER LEVEL OF U.S. PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS AND LACK OF PROPOSALS ON U.S. SIDE. THEY RUEFULLY NOTED THAT MUCH OF WASHINGTON DISCUSSIONS CONSISTED OF SHOOTING DOWN OF ISRAELI PROPOSALS AND IDEAS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THEY RECOGNIZE THAT PROGRESS WAS MADE AS EVIDENCED BY "GOOD FINAL REPORTS" ON FIRST MEETINGS OF THREE SUBCOMMITTEES. THEY EXPRESSED HOPE THAT WORK CAN GO FORWARD SO THAT GOOD RESULTS CAN BE ACHIEVED AT SECOND MEETING OF SUBCOMMITTEES IN ISRAEL WEEK OF OCTOBER 21-25.

2. COMMENT: IT WAS PERHAPS INEVITABLE THAT ISRAELIS

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WOULD BE DISAPPOINTED OVER RESULTS OF FIRST MEETING,

GIVEN UNREALISTIC NATURE OF SOME OF THEIR PROPOSALS.
WE WOULD HOPE, HOWEVER, THAT U.S. CAN PUT FORWARD MORE
IDEAS AND PROPOSAL OF ITS WON. THAT, IN OUR VIEW,
WILL BE NECESSARY TO PLACE EXERCISE ON MORE REALISTIC
BASIS AND THUS HELPING ENSURE ITS SUCCESS.
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